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OFFICE OF ENGINEERING AND TECHNOLOGY SEEKS COMMENT ON MEASUREMENT REPORT OF DTV RECEIVER INTERFERENCE REJECTION CAPABILITIES

ET Docket No. 04-186

Comments due: April 30,2007 Reply comments due: May 15,2007

On October 12,2006, the Commission adopted a First Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rule Making in ET Docket Nos. 04-186 and 02-380 to permit the operation of new low power devices in the broadcast television spectrum on channels/frequencies that are not being used for authorized services. In that action, the Commission also stated that its Laboratory was conducting a testing program to quantify the interference rejection capabilities of DTV receivers and intends to issue a report of the results of these measurements by March 2007.

The Commission's Laboratory recently completed this testing program and released a report of the measurement results:

- The testing program examined the out-of-channel interference rejection performance of a representative sample of eight DTV receivers with fifth generation tuners that were available in 2005 and 2006.
- A total of 2055 individual measurements were performed on these receivers.
- Each test involved feeding a desired signal to the television under test and injecting an interfering signal on a different channel or combination of channels. The different tests varied the level of the desired signal and interfering signal(s).
- The results show the interference rejection capabilities of the DTV receivers that were tested.
- The information from these tests is generally useful to analyze the potential for interference to DTV broadcasts from out-of-band signals. However this information is only one element of many that must be examined in evaluating the possibilities for operation of new low power devices in unused portions of the TV broadcast bands.

This report is available through the Commission's Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS) at http://www.fcc.gov/cgb/ecfs/. It is also available on the Commission's web site at www.fcc.gov/oet/.

Interested parties may file comments on this report no later than April 30, 2007. Reply comments are due no later than May 15,2007. All filings should reference ET Docket No. 04-186.

Comments may **be** filed using: (1) the Commission's Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS), (2) the Federal Government's eRulemaking Portal, or (3) paper copies. See Electronic Filing & Documents in Rulemaking Proceedings, 63 FR 24121 (1998).

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